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Pentecost Sunday – 28th May 2023

1st Reading – Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

Psalm – Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

2nd Reading – St Paul to the Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13

Gospel – John 20:19-23

First Friday Devotions – Mass in honour of the Sacred Heart of Our Lord will be celebrated at 7pm, followed by chance to receive the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. Please pick up a leaflet from the back of the church for more information.

Would you like to grow in holiness? Have you ever wanted to cultivate a deeper relationship with the Lord and didn't know how to go about it? Do you leave Mass thinking, I wish I had more time to 'ponder' on the Gospel? Then you need to join our **lectio divina** (divine word) prayer group, which aims to follow the Church Fathers, by reading Scripture in small groups, by imitating our Mother in pondering on the Word of the Lord, and by allowing the Holy Spirit to speak to us in the silence of our hearts. Led by Br Martin Sanderson, the group will meet in the friary library on Mondays 17:30-19:00, for six weeks starting 12 June. Br Martin will read an extract from the Bible: the Gospel reading for the following Sunday, e.g., 12th June we read Matthew 9:36-10:8. Would like to know more? eMail iffleycross@gmail.com.

Oxford Pro-Life Rosary Witness: On Saturday 3rd June we invite all pro-lifers to join us at 12p.m. in the centre of Oxford to publicly recite the Rosary for the end

of Abortion and in defence of life. We will be meeting outside the Clarendon building at 48 Broad Street, Oxford, OX1 3AZ. We are calling all Catholics young and old, families, priests and religious to stand up in defence of life and witness to the power of the Rosary. There will be an opportunity to find out how to be more active in the prolife movement. For more info contact Catherine Rymell at catherinerymell2@gmail.com.

Conference of "The Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Movement UK" - on Wednesday 7th June 2023. You and your Parish are all welcome to come. The guest speaker is the blessed and gifted Father James Blount from America. The Conference is to be held at the following venue: The Abbey Church and Hall, Sutton Road, Erdington, Birmingham B23 6QL

Note for Diary: please note that there will be no Online School of Word and Saturday Retreat during the month of June.

Save the date! Saturday 24th June 2023 will be a Greyfriars Parish Family Event from 1pm until 4pm.

Why?

- An opportunity for the parish community to get to know each other and a celebration of the end of an academic year

What?

- Share your skills with the wider parish community whether you are good at cooking, playing games, playing music or preparing a playlist, arts & crafts, face painting, flower arranging, sewing... all talents will be greatly appreciated.

- Drop in for part of the event or stay for the whole 3 hours!

- Would you be able to come early and help set up?

- Would you be able to help clear up after the event?

- If none of the above is for you then, just bring yourself and share your time!

How?

· Sign up sheets for food and/or activities are at the back of church. Also giving us an idea of numbers. (Having attended a few of these events already, you are in for a treat – there are some excellent cooks in our parish. If you're not one of them, then bring a bottle of drink, packet of biscuits, crisps or cakes – or just come as you are and share yourself!

· Or just turn up on the day!

Questions: Speak to me after mass or email: greyfriars.parishevents@gmail.com.

Intercessory Prayers - If you would like us to pray for somebody or for anything else, please email GreyfriarsIntercessoryPrayer@gmail.com or phone 07384 116920. All requests will be treated in strictest confidence.

Refreshments are available in the Church Hall after the 11am Mass. All our welcome, so please do pop in for tea, coffee, biscuits and cake!

Parish cleaners – If you would like to help clean the Church, please let Br. Martin know. Thank you to those who keep our church and sacristy clean and tidy. This week is the turn of the Angelika and Olivia.

Parish Donations

Collection Last Week: £561.97

Gift Aid: £90

Second Collection, Catholic Communications: £122.37

Thank you for your generosity and support of our parish, also to those of you who also contribute on-line.

Please pray for those members of our community who are sick, especially Therese O'Malley, Linda Parrott, Aline Beaupiere, Margaret Corcoran, Oonagh Clarkson, Albert Paintin, Bernadette O'Reilly, Gillian Mellor, Br. Michael Hargan and Ewan Williams. If you are aware of somebody in our community who is sick and in need of our prayers, please ask them to contact the parish or let us have their contact details.

Sacrament of Penance (Confession): Saturdays 11am-12noon, 5.30pm-6.15pm and by appointment.

Mass Times and Intentions

Sunday 28th May 2023 Solemnity of Pentecost (Year A)		
6.30 p.m. (Sat)	Kathy and Mikey's Int.	
9.00 a.m.	Family Int.	
11.00 a.m.	Parishioners	
5.30 p.m.	Shannon Keenan and baby Int.	
Monday 29th		<i>Mary, Mother of the Church</i>
7.30 a.m.	1) Br. Ade's Int. 2) Mary Lawrence Int.	
Tuesday 30th		
7.30 a.m.	1) Patrick McDonagh R.I.P. 2) Mary Gaffey R.I.P.	
Wednesday 31st		<i>Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>
7.30 a.m.	1) Kieron Hughes Int. 2) Padre Pio Prayer Group Int.	
Thursday 1st		<i>Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest</i>
7.30 a.m.	1) Angela Keown Int. 2) Kieron Hughes Int.	
Friday 2nd		<i>St. Felix of Nicosia</i>
7.30 a.m.	1) Tamzin Keown Int. 2) Daily Prayer Group Int.	
7 p.m.	In honour of the Sacred Heart	
Saturday 3rd		<i>Ss Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs</i>
8 a.m.	1) Freddie Barns Birthday Int. 2) In honour of the Immaculate Heart of Mary	
6.30 p.m. (Vigil)	Berta Lourdes Branco and family int.	